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Dear Examiner Standley:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action of July 26, 2007, having a deadline for provoking an Advisory Action of September 26, 2007. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments to the specification and claims, and remarks and arguments contained herein.